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FM AMEMBASSY SEOUL
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7068
AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

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STATE PASS TO EXIMBANK OFFICIAL CARBONAR TAIPEI FOR
EXIMBANK OFFICIAL SMITH

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: OTRA, KS
SUBJ: VISITS OF EXIM TEAMS TO SEOUL

REF: (A) STATE 107209, (B) STATE 10;869

1. WHILE OVERLAPPING VISITS OF CARBONAR/CHARAMELLA AND
SMITH/HERRMEYER TEAMS AND RESPECTIVE REQUESTS FOR
CONSULTATIONS WITH ROK GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE INDUSTRY
PRESENT SOME SCHEDULING PROBLEMS, EMBASSY IS CONFIDENT
THAT ITINERARIES ALLOWING PROFITABLE AND INTERESTING
VISITS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED.

2. UNFORTUNATELY EPB OFFICIALS MOST FAMILIAR WITH EXIM
INTERESTS ARE MEMBERS OF DPM NAM'S PARTY NOW VISITING
WASHINGTON FOR, AMONG OTHER REASONS, DISCUSSIONS WITH EXIM
RE MAJOR PROJECTS FINANCING. EPB OFFICIALS HAVE EXTENDED
EMBASSY EVERY COOPERATION IN SPITE OF FACT (AS OF
AFTERNOON MAY 17) THAT KOREAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON MINISTER
YANG HAS FAILED TO CONFIRM TO EPB PROPOSED EXIM
VISITS OR PROVIDE ASSISTANCE SUGGESTED IN REF A. IN
ABSENCE ANY INFORMATION FROM YANG, EMBASSY IS WORKING WITH
EPB TO COMPILE SCHEDULE AMONG LINES REQUESTED IN REF B FOR
CARBONAR/CHARAMELLA TEAM.

3. RE: CARBONAR/CHARAMELLA TEAM, RESERVATIONS AT CHOSUN
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HOTEL MAY 19 THRU 24 ARE CONFIRMED. EMBASSY CAR WILL

MEET AT AIRPORT WITH CUSTOMS AND BAGGAGE CLEARANCE ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY EMBASSY STAFF EMPLOYEE WHO WILL CONTACT PARTY AT ENTRANCE TO KIMPO CUSTOMS AREA. EMBASSY BRIEFING IS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR 1500 HOURS MAY 19, AT WHICH TIME ITINERARY FOR VISITS WILL BE REVIEWED.

4. RE: SMITH/HERMEYER TEAM, RESERVATIONS ARE CONFIRMED AT CHOSUN FOR MAY 17-24. ASSUME TEAM WILL PROVIDE DETAILED ARRIVAL INFORMATION FROM TAIPEI AS WELL AS INDICATION OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR LOCAL CONTACT DESIRED BY TEAM.

5. WHILE ALL ROK FIRMS MENTIONED IN REF B HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED OF EXIM TEAM'S DESIRE TO DISCUSS THEIR BUSINESS ACTIVITIES, WE HAVE ELECTED TO KEEP SCHEDULE LOOSE ON CHANCE BOTH EXIM TEAMS MAY WISH TO MEET AS GROUP WITH ANY ONE FIRM OR INSTITUTION. PLEASE ADVISE RE THIS POINT.
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